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EDITORIAL

On First, Fourth & Fifth Pages

NOTES AND COMMENTS

THAT is good news from West Point. We greatly rejoice with Pastor Haywood and his people, and wish them even greater prosperity.

THE May issue of the Sunday School literature of the A. B. P. Society is out, and, as usual, quite up to or beyond the standard of former excellence. It would seem that nothing was wanting in this series to make it all that was needed to require. It seems to meet every need of the best Sunday Schools of the age, and is constantly growing better.

Mr. McKinley and his party don't hurry up and bring on a little of that prosperity they and the "sound money" people promised on the defeat of the free silverites, the country will quite slip out of their grip, if the landslide in New Jersey and Kansas are to be considered signs of the times. Our people are great for change, and if they can't get it in money then they will have it in politics.

OUR Convention Sunday School Board is not to be outdone in providing a Sunday-School literature for our young people. The papers issued for May are like the previous ones, a healthy advance on all that has preceded. We wonder how perfection can be improved, but Dr. Frost and his helpers have demonstrated it in these papers. What more or better can our people want than they are now getting?

WE regret to learn from the *Leader*, of Brookhaven, of the death of Judge W. P. Baggett, of that city. He had reached the ripe age of seventy-eight years, and like a ripe shock of corn was ready for the harvest. He had long been a pillar in the Baptist church, and a leading and useful citizen of his city and county. We have more than once enjoyed the hospitality of his well-ordered home, and hold his memory in high esteem. May great grace be given the bereaved family.

WHO MADE THEM TO DIFFER?

When it ceases to be new, then it will become humiliating to know that the men of this world who rate themselves the wisest, can prove nothing to be true because of the radical differences of reckoning, and conclusions among themselves. "The common people" are coming to regard the quality of their wisdom very much as they do the character of their theories and conclusions—that is to say, quite hypothetical or nebulous. If they could fix anything to stay by their learned or scientific methods, or even if they could agree as to what they discover or invent, there would be some show of reason for expecting common-sense, thinking people to accept, or even tolerate, their deliverances. Take, for instance, their statements concerning the age of the Niagara river at the great Falls. To the number of not less than five or more of these wiseacre philosophers who have pretended to investigate the geological age and formation of that great natural phenomenon, there are born a corresponding number of scientific kids of the most singularly varying ages. Mr. Ellicott says the thing happened just 55,400 years ago. Mr. Blackwell dissents and says no; it was only 12,000 years since the great wonder was born. Then Mr. Lyell comes in and asserts that both are wrong, and that he has it down to a fine point, and that 35,000 years exactly expresses it. Then the modest Mr. Herbert Spencer, who don't know anything for certain except this one, punts them all away and declares that without doubt 32,000 years makes the utmost limit of the duration of the great Falls. Then after all this sage research and wise announcement, another son of the gods bobs up—withholding his name, however,—and declares most unequivocally that he has found the key to the solution, and that it is only about 9,000 years since the great Falls begun to roar.

Well, we do not know wherein any of these modern "wisemen" find any "comfort of hope," but the only consolation for some of us is in the supposition that their "much learning has" not "made them entirely mad"—that they have not quite gone stark crazy, and will not yet fall upon the State for their maintainance. They are of a piece with those who have gone before, from whom they have been descended. But then among the elder sages we remember the report of a happening not totally unlike the Niagara fad, and somewhat after this fashion. A man was digging a well, and way down in the earth more than 100 feet from the surface, he found one morning in the loose dirt that he had dug up the evening before, a curious looking object which a certain learned neighbor called a "fossil," a petrified bone. The whole community was agog. A learned scientist, was sent for, and after a careful examination of the "fossil," gravely pronounced it to be the section of a bone in the leg of a curiously shaped animal long since

passed away, which he said was about the size of a full-grown goat, but in appearance very much like as if it was a triple cross between a goat, a hog, and a monkey, sketching a horrible picture on the blackboard. Of course the opinion was registered as a great scientific fact. Bye-and-bye another "wise man" came from afar to see the wonder, and after a like examination, pronounced his predecessor a gump and registered his opinion that the "fossil" was the bone of an animal more like a mule, yet a little like a cow, and considerably like a camel, and left a drawing of the same. Of course his opinion was accepted, being the "latest." But to make a long story short, soon after another Solomon, hearing of the wonderful "fossil," came, considered, calculated, concluded, and sketched his opinion in a ferocious animal about the size of an elephant, and in appearance very much like a cross between an eagle and an old tom cat. Now, when the wonder of the people was at its highest point, an old farmer came to view the strange picture, and after feasting his eyes sufficiently upon the wonderful apparition on the blackboard, he asked to see the "fossil." But when he saw it, he exclaimed, "Well, now! Why," said he, "I wish I may be scooped if that isn't the handle that Jackie broke off of my wife's old vinegar jar, and as it turned out, for Jackie had thrown it into the well on the day it was broken off, and when the jug was brought and adjustments made, it was found to be true, an old jug handle, that was all.

Thus it is that very many scientific discoveries and inventions end in smoke, and yet the question remains, "Who made them to differ?" If it was not the old deceiver and the adversary?

Commencement week, Iuka, (Miss.) Normal Institute, June 1 to 5. Sermon, Rev. H. C. Morrison, Missionary Secretary of M. E. C. S.; address to graduating class, Hon. J. C. Longstreet, Grenada, Miss.

A WORD from Bro. T. J. Miller's field tells us that, as usual, he and his people are moving on to larger usefulness. If all our churches would come up like his do, even in these drastic times, our Boards would go to the Convention out of debt, and have a surplus in their treasuries. They will see that he goes to the great meeting at Wilmington, just as many other of our churches ought to do, and they, as well as he, will reap an ample reward. Recently Bro. Miley as the preacher, and Prof. Pickering as director of the music, attended a dedication service at Concord, where Bro. W. P. Chapman is pastor. There was a great crowd of attentive people, and we can vouch for it that there was an excellent sermon and splendid music. After all the real Christian enjoyment and growth that was afforded, the chief material was the offering for Home Missions. We are always glad to hear from Bro. Miley's field, for there is always something good going on.

STATE MISSIONS NOW.

Our Bro. Rowe has worked on, tirelessly and most vigorously for Home and Foreign Missions through the great crisis in the work of those Boards just passed, and patiently waited for the time of State Missions to come. He certainly reports a noble work done, and well deserves the thanks of all of God's people, and with whom we all do unite in thanksgiving and praise to God for what He has wrought through us for His cause and the glory of His name. But now we should all, as one man, turn our thoughts to our own State work, and with our faithful Secretary, give ourselves unreservedly to lifting it out of its present thralldom and setting it on high amongst the things that rank as first-class successes. In a word, our State Board and Convention Secretary should, from now until the State Convention late in July, have the right-of-way in all of our hearts and churches, together with the best thought, talks, prayers and gifts that we can, by any possibility, command. Our missionaries have never done better work than during the current year, and God has graciously allowed His people to have a reasonable degree of prosperity even in the midst of what is called the hardest times. If you would see the proof of this, go and sit down at the average Baptist

the abundance of the necessities, but the presence of some of the luxuries and dainties of life spread before you; then have an eye to not only the substantial, but the stylish and fashionable apparel of those who sit there with you, and even those who serve.

Then strike a balance of all this with the fare and apparel of the poor and hard-worked laborers in many fields and shops and homes, and tell us if there is not prosperity enough to justify a clever division with the Lord? Have we not got it in our power to come up at once to the help of our secretary and the suffering missionaries? And shall we whose names are written in the Lamb's Book of Life, and who owe all we have and are to the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, "who, though he was rich, yet for our sakes became poor, that we, through His poverty, might become rich," fail to make manifest our love and gratitude to Him? Brethren, who of us are on the Lord's side, any way? Who of us have been washed in the blood of the Lamb? Who of us recognize our obligations to the Master to come up to the help of the Lord against the mighty? Here is our opportunity. The field is white unto the harvest. The Master says, "Go and preach the gospel." The laborers are few and poorly sustained, and we have the where-withal to help. Will not every one of God's people lay too, a helping hand? Will not every one give to State Missions as God has prospered, in the next year, be abundant help, fully sustained missionaries, a happy secretary, a joyful people, and a greatly

Mississippi Delegates to Southern Baptist Convention.

CLASS 1—MONEY BASIS.

J. R. Farish, Meridian.
J. A. Hackett, Meridian.
R. A. Venable, Meridian.
H. W. Rockett, Harrison.
W. B. Williams, Columbus.
E. P. Jones, Columbus.
D. Burney, Ackerman.
W. M. Farmer, Summit.
R. A. Cohron, Cleveland.
T. J. Bailey, Winona.
A. F. Davis, Dinan.
A. V. Rowe, Winona.
W. M. Burr, Greenville.
H. F. Sproles, Jackson.
W. F. Yarborough, Crystal Springs.
R. G. Hewlett, Burgess.
F. L. Riley, Clinton.
J. N. McMillin, Aberdeen.
J. K. Pace, Hazlehurst.
J. S. Cable, Vernon.
J. W. Sturdivant, Senatobia.
L. M. Blanchard, Senatobia.
Oscar Haywood, West Point.
J. B. Searcy, Corinth.
J. L. Johnston, Duck Hill.
T. J. Miley, Mayton.
H. M. Long, Shuqualak.
A. A. Lomax, Batesville.
G. B. Butler, Lexington.
T. C. Schilling, Gillsburg.
S. G. Cooper, Tupelo.
H. A. Duboise, Byhalia.
C. E. Emerson, Oub Lake.
A. L. Emerson, Eudora.

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A. C. Mason, Yalobusha, Jefferson.
W. R. Johnson, Bogues Chitto, Johnston.
E. M. Schilling, Bogues Chitto, alternate, Bogues.
J. C. Farrar, Copiah, Gallman.
J. K. Pace, Copiah, alternate, Hazlehurst.
L. M. Stone, Chickasaw, Shuqualak.
S. B. Dobbs, Chester, Chester.
W. H. H. Fancher, Chester, alternate, French Camp.
N. W. P. Bacon, Cold Water, Hernando.
L. R. Burrell, Tishomingo, Geeville.
H. W. Lantrip, Union, Lee.
S. Morris, Strong River, Harrisville.
W. P. Chapman, Rankin Co., Virgil.
Dr. J. E. Noble, Rankin Co., alternate, Fannin.
W. E. Ellis, Yazoo, Greenwood.
G. B. Butler, Yazoo, alternate, Lexington.
Jno. Thompson, Chickasaw, New Albany.
E. A. Bates, Mississippi, Bate's Mill.
I have asked brethren for their names and these are what I have received.

Truly,
A. V. ROWE.

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BRO. HACKETT:—I have been a friend and contributor to Mississippi College for a quarter of a century, and feel glad to see an agitation of an additional endowment of at least \$100,000. Put me down for \$25.

Yours,
Z. WARDLAW.

E. L. WESSON.

It is "A calm, a sure retreat,"
Where, undisturbed by human feet,
One can approach the mercy seat.

2. Out of the twelve he chose only three to go with him. Didn't the others need to pray as much as they? Didn't they need a sight of his glory as much as they? Those were the three and leave the rest. There's the question. We know he loved them all and loved them to the end, but three times.

(To be Continued.)

Wanted—An Idea who can think of some simple thing to patent protect your ideas; they may bring you wealth.

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Alabama News

I have just closed my fourth year in the pastorate of the

THE RECORD improves steadily, you are going forward, and may you go on towards perfection.

4-15-4m MRS. A. RUSSELL.

If a sufficient number of delegates come by way of Meridian we can arrange for a special coach and sleeper. From Birmingham or Chattanooga I will be accommodated with "special" running for the convenience of the delegates. I would be glad to communicate with all who wish to join a party from Meridian. Any

the last of January it was
finished, but we are using it; and
in spite of its clay walls and
stick and grass roof it is quite
pleasant, and it will not be a
bad when I get done what I want
to do. I do not know if I can
describe it to you. The walls
are about ten feet high, and very
uneven and rough. They are
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The Forty-second Session of the Forty-second Year, of the Southern Baptist Convention, will, at the invitation of the Baptist churches and citizens of Wilmington, N. C., be held in the meeting house of the First Baptist church of Wilmington, beginning Friday, May 7, 1887, at 10 a. m.

J. W. Provine, Ph. D., Chairman of the Faculty of Mississippi College; J. B. Gambrell, D., Ex-President Mercer University, Macon, Ga.; R. A. Venable, D., Ex-President Mississippi College; A. J. Aven, M. A., Professor of Latin, Mississippi College, Clinton, Miss., and other distinguished educators. A postal card will bring you particulars.

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It was the pleasure of the Field Glass man, in company with Brethren Bacon and DuBois, recently, to attend the Monday morning meeting of the Memphis Baptist Pastors' Conference in the parlors of the R. G. Craig Book Store, in Memphis. It was quite refreshing and helpful to be in this meeting, of which Dr. E. A. Taylor is president, and hear the reports of Sunday's services from the different brethren. The general subject of pastoral visiting was generally discussed, being led by Pastor W. T. Hudson, of Chelsea, who, by the way; is an ex-Mississippiian, as is also Dr. Taylor. The reports and discussions were informal, but quite helpful.—We have received a copy of a small publication from the Baptist Book Concern, Louisville, Ky., "BOTH SIDES," being a republication of the articles of Dr. F. B. Thomas in the Western Recorder on the "Question" raised by Dr. Whitsett, together with four of the articles in the Independent acknowledged by Dr. Whitsett, and a correspondence between Dr. Christian and Dr. Whitsett relative to the Independent editorials. Price, 15 cents. Baptist Book Concern, Louisville, Ky.—Rev. W. I. Hargis writes: "I am at Tulsa to-day (Sunday, 18th), and the day is bright and cheerful. Had a good congregation last night. This is Easter Sunday, but we shall just worship God simply and plainly, just as we would on any other Sunday." Certainly, beloved. Why not? God bless you.—Rev. G. P. Bostick, of China, was with us last Thursday evening, and gave a most interesting talk on mission work in China, which was very helpful and stimulating. Not a word was said concerning the differences between gospel missions and the missions of our Board, but the large congregation had their attention turned to the necessity of enlarged mission efforts. No contribution was taken for Rev. Bostick had lately lectured in Starkville and West Point, and went from here to Alabama.—Here is an interesting letter from Dr. E. E. King, McKinney, Texas:—"I tenderly sympathized with you in your long affliction, and then in the loss of your now sainted mother. We are all well, and are delighted with our new field of labor. We have about 7,000 people here, with excellent schools and a good church. We have a beautiful modern house of worship, with the seating capacity of more than a thousand, and we have a large and strong membership. We have great congregations, and if the Lord abides with us, we hope to do a good work here. I go to the Convention at the charges of our good people. They have done many kind things for us, besides presenting me a check for my salary the first day of every month. We have had some sickness here, becoming acclimated I suppose. I hope our dear good friends at Senatobia are well. Give them all our love." Bro. King will pardon me for quoting from a private letter, but so many in the old State are glad to hear from him and his family, that we have taken this liberty.—Bro. T. A. J. Beasley, Poplar Springs, writes: "Yesterday (third Sunday) was a great day with us. The Lord was manifest in power. It was our day of home & Mission collection."

asked the Lord before services for \$20, but He gave me \$26.50. You know the Lord always gives us more than we ask for. This is the largest single contribution for missions this church has ever made. Pray for us. We all love THE RECORD. May the Lord bless its editors and continue to make them useful." We are glad to hear from you beloved. May God bless you more and more, and lead your people into the green pastures and beside the still waters of his love and grace.—Orphanage receipts are: Mrs. E. J. Manning, \$1; Lexington Sunday School, \$1.50; Hebron church, H. J. Legge, \$3.35; Zion church, net Moscow, \$4; J. W. Echols, \$1; Roma and Hewlett Rockett, 50c.; H. W. Rockett and wife, \$2; Ladies Aid Society, Fifteenth avenue, Meridian, \$5.50; Sunbeams, same church, \$5; J. T. Wallace, Sunday School class, \$11.45; Ladies Central Committee, T. J. Bailey, \$4.40.—In humble trust in God, who says the fatherless are under His special care, we purpose to open the Orphanage in Jackson in a rented house by May 10th. At that time we will receive and care for those who have, in God's providence, lost father, or father and mother both. We crave an interest in the sympathy and prayers of all whose hearts are touched by the condition of the destitute and helpless. We appeal for help only to God, and when any friend is moved to send a contribution, let it be esteemed a call of the loving Father to His children to care for His own special wards. After May 10th send all contributions of whatever kind to L. S. Foster, Jackson, Miss., instead of Senatobia.—This leads us to write that which we cannot write without tears: that our resignation has been offered and received regretfully by our beloved Senatobia people—noble, generous, the very salt of the earth they are. Five full years we have been with them, quietly and humbly, but earnestly, trying to do the Master's work. Loyalty, unswerving, they have stood by us, and it is almost heartbreaking to leave them. We shall never cease to love them, and these five years will ever be one of the greenest spots in memory. We have been with them in trouble, and they have been with us in sore trouble, and we can never forget their kindness and sympathy. There may be as good people, but there are no better people on the green earth than these Senatobia people. God bless them and cause His face to shine upon them. Our headquarters will be Jackson, and we will still serve the Courland church, and have just written, promising also to be with the Pelahatchie saints one Sunday the remainder of the year, beginning in May.

A PLEASANT meeting with Bro. J. J. White, of Jackson, was one of the matters of interest last week. His good wife is a daughter of our good brother, Dr. J. R. Sample, of Summit, and he is always a welcome caller. We learned that the meeting in the Baptist church in Jackson, where Dr. Simmons, of Jackson, Tenn., is aiding Dr. Sproules, has been one of decided interest. Ten or twelve persons had been received into the church up to his leaving.

After thirty-seven years the Chronicle finds himself attending another meeting of the International Y. M. C. A. Convention. It now meets biennially; this year at Mobile. So Tuesday evening he boarded the M. & O. south-bound train, and arrived in the city a little before 10 o'clock. There were other delegates along; and those of us who had not reported secured comfortable and quiet quarters at the new Southern Hotel. Special rates were given for the occasion, and the guests received marked attention.

Mississippi is not largely represented, and Meridian by only two members. The chief Associations in our State are connected with the colleges. A movement is on foot to establish several for railroad men at the main centres. It is remarkable how the work has been blessed along these lines. As an evangelising agency no power in America seems to surpass it in its department of work, and its influence today extends throughout the world. Baptists make a mistake sometimes ignoring this agency.

The number of delegates and messengers in attendance is 508; representing nearly every State in the Union and the Provinces of Canada, and almost every Christian denomination. Many of the largest railroad corporations on the continent largely co-operate in the work appropriating \$145,000 these last year; and others are about to enter even more extensively. It is confidently expected that Meridian will soon have an efficient Association.

Interesting and instructive reports and addresses have been made; most of which will be published. Some marvelous things are revealed and things that are calculated to arouse Christian energy. Fill the country with the Association's and many prevailing evils will be overcome. A union of individual Christians can accomplish grand results in breaking up gambling and abolishing the saloon. Destroy these and other evils will as a consequence disappear.

There is no sure cure of sin except regeneration; and it is to this end the Y. M. C. Associations now labor. Various means are used to bring young men under favorable influences; not merely a reading room, but a gymnasium, baths, cheap lunches, and places for sleeping or rest. Then there is the educational feature—helping by night instruction, young men to become skilled workmen, and last but not least, Bible Study. Thus they can help the churches most effectively.

On Lord's Day the Chronicle attended the St. Francis Street Baptist Sunday School. He was greatly pleased with its conduct; the pastor taking decided interest, to the encouragement of officers, teachers and scholars. Over two hundred were in attendance. Bro. D. P. Pastor is Superintendent and Bro. Ed. Shaffer, Organist—some of our old friends of the writer, of some days.

For courtesies the Chronicle is indebted to Dr. Geo. W. L. L. and their kind friends, and their kind friends.

from Messrs Lowenstein Bro's., and appreciated association with Bro. R. O. Simpson, of Wilcox county, Ala. Of an excursion to New Orleans we will write later; referring, possibly, to the closing scenes of the Convention.

Program of B. Y. P. U. at Wilmington N. C., May 6, 1897.

MORNING SESSION.

10:00—Devotional Exercises—Oscar Haywood, Mississippi.

10:30—Welcome Address—Geo E Leftwich, Wilmington, N C, J W Bailey, Raleigh, N.C.

Response—Member of Convention.

11:00—Address, Personal Consecration—John T Pullen, N C.

11:30—Address, Subject to be announced—Carter Helm Jones, Kentucky.

12:00—Address, The Union as a School for Training Leaders—Chas S Gardner, S C.

12:30—Announcement of Committees, and Miscellaneous Business.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2:00—A Business and Worker Meeting. Election of officers. Address—The Study Course and the Result of a Year's Work—R Van Deventer, Georgia.

Address—The Practical Workings of our Union—William H Smith, Georgia.

Report of Executive Committee, Board of Managers, and State Managers.

Miscellaneous Business.

EVENING SESSION.

8:00—Devotional Exercises—Harry A Bagby, Virginia.

8:30—Address, The Church of to-morrow—John O Rust, Tennessee.

9:00—A Captured and Fettered Generation—William L Pickard, Kentucky.

9:20—Closing remarks by the general Secretary.

We will follow "Eastern Time" since the committee on hospitality has been compelled to limit their entertainment. We do not expect so many present from a distance, but we hope as many as will go.

Entertainment will be had for reasonable cost. The Executive Committee congratulates itself that the work has grown to such proportions that Wilmington could not have entertained the numbers who could have gone.

The Executive Committee takes pleasure in announcing before hand that they are prepared to go to Wilmington with bills paid, and an encouraging outlook.

B. D. GRAY, Ch'm. Ex. Com.
J. D. JORDAN, Gen. Sec.
Birmingham, Ala.

Programs of Fifth Sunday Meetings.

District meeting Saturday before the fifth Sunday in May, at Elm church.

1. Regeneration—J W Ellis, E Lucas.

2. What is the church and her ordinances—D V Riley, John M Armisteach.

3. Sanctification—E A Davis, m Breckman.

Praching will be arranged for we meet. Dinner on the round. Come one come all and let's have a good time.

B E LUCAS.

Program of the general Sunday School Convention of the Mississippi Baptist Association, to be held with the New Hill Baptist church, commencing on

to Churches—M H Martin.
2. Why Should we Contribute to Mission Work?—A S Turner.
3. The World's Greatest Need—J E Lowe.
4. The Allegiance of the Laws of Our Land a Duty to God—T C Schilling.
5. Duty of Pastor to Church—G Lea.
6. Who are the Heathen?—J Stewart.
7. The Benefits of Christian Association—Turner Lowery.
W E YOUNG,
Ch'm. Com.

"The Door."

Brother Sample's kindly noticing the seeming defect in our article on "The Lord's Supper" caused no little trembling until it was clearly seen that the criticism was freighted with brotherly love. We were sampled once and, Oh, that we could have had a Sample to have sampled us!

"The brother seems to have lost sight of the elements necessary to constitute scriptural baptism." The quotation in Brother Sample's notice of the following: "Were baptism the door and only qualification for membership, then alien immersionists could flood the church with infant sprinklers."

"A" presents himself to a regular Baptist church, and upon true and proper evidence of conversion is received as a candidate for baptism, and, after baptism, is received into the fellowship of the church—he becomes a member. "A" leaves the church and joins a Presbyterian congregation. After a while "A" returns to the church, and were baptism the door and only qualification for membership, then alien immersionists (in sentiment) could flood the church with infant sprinklers (those holding such views). He would walk right in through the door of the elements necessary to constitute scriptural baptism."

Bro. Sample asks that we "discuss the sense in which the Lord's Supper is a 'communion.'" In the same and only unprecise senses in which baptism is. Thank you, Bro. Sample.

JAKE R. HODGES.

P. S.—Brother, that little mistake so kind of you. We will look up that "communion."

Yours in Him,
J. R. H.

One Hundred Thousand Dollars Endowment for Mississippi College.

Under the propositions of Brethren E. C. Eager and A. H. Whitfield.

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A Hackett.....	5 00
F Sproles.....	5 00
W Provine.....	100 00
S Webb.....	25 00
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H Eager.....	100 00
M Sharp.....	100 00
W Pickel.....	100 00
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R Stone.....	50 00
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Junior class.....	22 50
Sophomore class.....	65 50
Freshman class.....	100 00
Preparatory classes.....	50 00

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At the residence of the bride's father, Mr. Geo. Johnston, Dr. W. Thompson, of Columbia, S. C., officiating.

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18. My favorite promise, why it is dear to me. Isa. 41.

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The next session of the Young People's Union, auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention, will be held in Wilmington, North Carolina, May 18, 1897. All regularly appointed delegates will receive free entertainment, provided they are officially reported to Pastor B. Oliver by April 20. Those who neglect to do this will forfeit their claims to free entertainment. Each Union or Society is entitled to one delegate every twenty-five members, or major fraction thereof. Churches without such Unions or Societies are entitled to one every fifty members, or major fraction thereof. We trust that all delegates to the Southern Baptist Convention, Woman's Missionary Meeting, and as many more as possible, will come as delegates to the Young People's Meeting. Free entertainment may be for those only who are delegates to the B. Y. P. U. Every delegate should report to the State Manager of his State by April 18. Bro. Arthur Flack of Winona, is our manager for Mississippi.

Yours fraternally,
JOHN D. JORDAN,
Gen. Sec.
Birmingham, Ala.

The Young People at Wilmington.

DEAR BRO. HACKETT:—Here come to raise a racket, and say want your goodly State well presented at the Young People's meeting in Wilmington, N. C., May 6, 1897, ten o'clock eastern time. We are expecting pleasant and profitable time, besides other short speeches from State managers and others, each of the following brethren have agreed to give us a thirty minute speech: William L. Skard, Chas. S. Gardner, R. M. Deventer, Wm. H. Smith, Walter Helm Jones, John O. St. John, T. Pullen and Frank H. Kerfoot. Subjects for each of these have been agreed on and all will be fixed in a few days. Come on and bring your friends.

Let the brethren who agreed to help us with contributions not let us just now. If all promises are kept, we can go there from debt. Let some who are not promised send us something to make up for failures on part of other brethren.

Fraternally yours,
JOHN D. JORDAN,
Gen. Sec.
Birmingham, Ala.

RECORD:—We had the pleasure of a visit at Torrance on the second Sabbath from "Field Man, Bro. H. M. He gave us a most excellent sermon. The congregation was delighted. Bro. Long was our best preacher, and I be glad to have him visit

By W. F. Yarborough

MAY 9, 1897.

SUBJECT: *Paul Preaching to the Jews, Acts 13:26-39.*

GOLDEN TEXT: *Through man is preached unto you the forgiveness of sins. Acts 13:38.*

INTRODUCTION.

Paul and Barnabas (for we know them henceforth) coming forth from Perga, where left them in last Sunday's lesson, soon reached Pisidian Antioch. There are various conjectures as to why they did not evangelize Perga but pressed on to the mountainous region of the interior. While the Spirit would have revealed the reason, to the through the historian had it necessary for us to know, there is nothing wrong in discussing probable reasons for movements of these first foreign missionaries. Prof. Ramsay thinks that Paul, at this time, had an attack of malaria, and that forth came argument to Pisidian Antioch, with Iconium and Lystra, was in Galatia, and sets this as the foundation of Paul's statement, Gal. 4:18 V. "Because of an infirmity of the flesh I preached the gospel unto you the first time." Colman and Hawson's theory, that it was the beginning of summer when the inhabitants of Phrygia went to the mountains for the sickly season, seems plausible. Enough for us know that reaching Antioch, a large city, but not near so important as Antioch in Syria, from which they set out, they began to preach. According to what afterward proved to be their custom they went first to the Jews, making the first offer of salvation to them. They went into the synagogue and as was customary in the synagogue, worship the courtesy of an invitation to speak was extended to them. Paul's address, given in this chapter, is his first published sermon. It is *unique* that we have but little more than the outline. According to W. M. Taylor, it consists of four parts: viz: historical, apologetical, doctrinal and practical. Our lesson includes the apologetical and doctrinal sections. The burden of the discourse is to prove from Jewish history and prophecy that Jesus is the Messiah and Saviour.

EXPLANATORY.

I. Jesus the Christ, because prophecy is fulfilled in His rejection. 26-29.

Addressing his audience as brethren of a common father, fearing the same God, he affirms that to us is the Word of this salvation sent forth (R. V.) from God. Then he proceeds to show that this Jesus whom he preaches must be the Messiah of Jewish prophecy, notwithstanding, he was not recognized as such by the Jews at Jerusalem. This must be true for they that dwell at Jerusalem and their rulers, unconsciously fulfilled the very scriptures which were read every Sabbath day in condemning him. Though not here given he may have quoted some passages from Isa. 53, so accurately fulfilled in the case of Jesus, and which was such a stumbling block to the Jewish conception of King Messiah. While Paul says nothing of what we know of the Messiah,

based on moral perversity, he states that these people were read every Sabbath. Their rejection accounts for ignorance. Even though found no cause of death in him, desired they Pilate that he be slain. Blindly they were following out their mad purposes until, so far as they concerned, they had fulfilled what was written of him, and the point that he was put with the rich in his death, this last act was due to the likeness of Joseph." Surely have themselves proved that Jesus is the very Christ.

II. Jesus is the Christ because in Him God's promises to David are realized. 38-37.

When Jewish hate had seized itself and had in the end overruled the purposes of God, further attested the Messiahship of Jesus in that he raised him from the dead. This he placed beyond the region of doubt, even had some of the disciples been inclined to cavil over it, for many of his witnesses who had every means of knowledge, were then living and had seen him. They came up to him from Galilee to Jerusalem, knew him well and had received many infallible proofs of his resurrection. So well assured Paul of the glorious fact, that finds in it a fulfillment of some of God's promises that had seemingly failed. He uses the Psalm that Peter used at Pentecost, but seems to go further than Peter. Peter sees in Jesus David's risen and exalted Son; Paul sees this and more. He sees in Jesus the son of David and the Son of God. He takes the passage "Thou art my Son, this day have I begotten thee" and applies it to the resurrection and the thought is apparent being brought out in the following quotation: "I will give thee the sure mercies of David," again, "thou shalt not suffer thy Holy one to see corruption." It means that the Son has the life of the Father, and if Jesus has been begotten of God, as the scriptures testify, and as his resurrection from the dead prove, then the life with which He came from the tomb is incorruptible. He is David's son and hence heir of the throne, but more than that he is God's Son and is eternal and shall never see corruption. This being true, God's promise to David, II Sam 7:12-16, are realized, and may well be called the sure mercies of David. This could not have been spoken of David, for he served the purpose or will of God in his generation, was added unto his fathers while his body saw corruption in David's greater Son, who saw no corruption, was his throne established, and the suffering, rejected Christ has become the reigning King.

III. Jesus is the Christ because in Him only is found pardon and justification, 38, 39.

Here in a brief sentence is found the kernel of what came to be known as Pauline theology, of which we find a fuller development in Romans and Galatians. Forgiveness of sins is what they needed above all things else, and Paul boldly declares that through faith man is the forgiveness of sins, the taking away of sin. Not only this, but everyone who believes is justified in him from all things from which they were not able to be justified in themselves.

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Compare Rom. 3:24-26; 4:
Gal. 2:16; Phil. 3:4-9. The
civil or divine, has nothing whi
ever to do with a man until
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DIED.

Bro. S. M. Cocke, one of th
most devout members of the Se
abastia church fell on sleep Dec
27, 1896, and deserves more
a passing notice. He was bor
in Wake county, North Caroli
Nov. 29, 1819. He became a
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and united with Baptist church
in 1841, at the age of twenty
two. He was twice married, fir
to Miss Dorcas E. Testerman
Jan. 28, 1852, and, second, hav
ing lost his wife, was married
Mrs. Eugenie E. Wicks, June 2
1880, who survives him. He wa
known to the writer five years
and we have never known a mor
spiritual-minded Christian than
he. It was always a benedictio
to be in his presence. Yet h
was always as simple and mod
est as a child. He wrote severa
articles for the RECORD, which
were marked by a devotiona
spirit. He fell as a shock of
corn, fully ripe, for the Master's
garner, having passed his seven
ty-seventh year. May grace
be given the family.

L. S. F.

Hon. Samuel Warren Miller
was born in Copiah county, Miss.
Oct. 25th, 1862, died Mar. 28th,
1897, aged 34 years, 5 months
and 3 days. Reared on a farm,
he had the advantages of a coun
try life and a pious home. His
parents were devout Christians
and their influence was not in
vain.

At the age of 21, he entered
Mississippi College and graduat
ed with first honors in the
class of 87; his twin brother, D.
M. Miller, taking the second.

While in this "school of the
prophets" he made a public pro
fession of his faith in the Lord
Jesus as his personal Savior, and
was baptized by the pastor, the
beloved B. D. Gray.

After his graduation he taught
two sessions at Carrollton, Miss.,
with credit to himself and satis
faction to his patrons, where his
name and influence are still cher
ished by a grateful people. He
then began the study of law and
was admitted to the bar in 1890.
In the fall of the same year, h
was chosen by the voters of Co
piaha county to represent them in
the State Legislature. He was
an honored member of that body,
doing faithful service and always
carrying himself above taint or
suspicion, as an honorable, high
minded Christian gentleman, loyal
his State and true to his con
stitution. He served the people
well. The sturdy virtues which
were the strength of his character

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approved the right and dared
do it. He aspired to be some
thing, to do something in this
world and he succeeded. He filled
honorably every station of life—
whether as son, brother, friend,
teacher, attorney, legislator, citi-
zen or Christian. Gentle and
social he was the center of a
large circle of friends and ad-
mirers who to-day, with the be-
reaved family, mourn his ear-
ly death. In his death Copiah coun-
ty has lost one of her most
promising young men; the Ba-
nana one of its rising ornaments; the
social circle, a congenial spiri-
tual, a family, a bright jewel; and
the church, an humble, devoted
member. His race was short,
but he ran it well. His end, a
triumph! Victory, victory! is the
word. We mourn and we rejoice.
We mourn our great loss—we re-
joice in his great gain.

To the bereaved we tender the
consolations of the gospel. This
bereavement is specially trying
to them, as it is the first broken
link in a family of eleven broth-
ers and sisters, who weep, how-
ever, not as those who have no
hope, either for themselves or
the departed loved one. They
are Christians and will meet him
again. "Jesus takes those whom
He loves into Gethsemane and
further. There is no death to
the Christian. The glorious
Gospel takes away death. That
which separates a Christian from
Christ is not distance but the
veil of the flesh, and therefore the
moment that is laid aside the
Christian is with the Lord."

'Into the eternal shadow that girls our
life around,
'Into the infinite silence wherewith
Death's Shore is bound,
Thou hast gone forth, beloved! and I were
mine to weep.
That thou hast left life's Shallows and dost
possess the deep.

His life and death furnish many
wise suggestions. Learn first.
What a high ideal and persistent
effort can accomplish. 2nd.
There is a place of honor and
appreciation for the worthy and
the qualified. 3rd. Young men
of limited means may rise to
prominence and usefulness. 4th.
Christ and His Salvation are a
treasure to the young. Young men
need Christ. 5th. Life is meas-
ured, not by years only, but by
deeds, heroic, noble.

Dear reader heed well the les-
sons taught.

ALEX. A. LOMAX.
Batesville, Miss., April 6th, '97.

In memory of sister Maueva
Conn, who closed her eyes in
death Oct. 20th, 1896, after a
long illness of several months,
which she bore with such pa-
tience as Christ only can give.
She died on her birth day being
7 years old. She was the wife
of Bro. John Conn, who is the
pastor of the Antioch church.
Her death the church has lost
one of its best members. Sister
Conn was a devoted and true
Christian, always ready to do
the will of the Lord.

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(MISS) MARY P. HACKETT, Editor

April

CHINA.—"How shall they hear without a preacher? and how shall they preach except they be sent?" S. B. C. Mission opened, 1845; missionaries, 41; native assistants, 44; stations, 31; churches, 19; membership, 1,266; baptisms, 152; schools, 21; scholars, 575; Sunday School scholars, 689. Contributions, \$2,190.85.

STUDY TOPICS.—Immense population of China. Present religious systems. How best can native fanaticism be overcome. The influence of a Christianized China on the world. Responsibility toward present workers.

THE WONDROUS HARP.

In some one of the chambers
Of the heart,
Strung or unstrung as it may be,
Hangs a harp.

But more oft its strings are broken,
And the dust
From it has for many days
Never been brushed.

Should there be a lone heart near you
Where this harp,
Silent, unstrung, hangs neglected,
In the dark,

Set its chords and gently touch it,
And the strings,
'Neath the hand of love, will pour forth
Divine strains.

EMORY OPHIA GREGORY,
Okolona, Miss.

A Worthy Enterprise.

We would like to call attention to a new periodical, The Southern Home Journal, now being published at Jackson, Miss. A talented young newspaper woman, Miss Ida V. May, who has had wide journalistic experience in Texas, is the originator of this enterprise and she proposes to furnish the public with a journal of high literary merit. We bespeak for her the support of all lovers of a pure reading medium, and wish for her, great success in her laudable undertaking. The issue of May 1st will be a special one, in which Jackson will be extensively written up, both as to its past history, present attainments, and future prospects. We feel a special interest in the Capital City, as it was once our dwelling place, and are assured that it will fare well in the hands of our esteemed contemporary, the Southern Home Journal.

Resolutions

By the Rodney Baptist church upon the death of Mrs. Sarah E. Bolls and Jas. Frank Bolls.

Whereas, It hath seemed good unto our Lord and Master to call up to Himself the redeemed spirits of our dear sister, Sarah E. Bolls, and of her son, Brother J. F. Bolls, upon the 1st and 11th days of January, 1897; therefore be it

Resolved, That while we grieve because they are not, and miss them at each step of the way, we must bow, in humble submission to the will of the Almighty, who cannot err; feeling that the links are less; that bind us to earth, and remembering the sweet counsel and lovely example of our beloved ones, we are trusting to meet them when we, too, shall pass over the river.

Resolved, That as a church of which our deceased friends were honored members, we tender to the heart-stricken widow and the dear little children, to the bereaved ones, our sympathy and our love.

and all the relatives, our lasting sympathies, praying that the God of the widow, the Father of the fatherless, and that kind and tender Father, the precious Savior, may draw very near unto them, and send into their sad lives that comforting grace which alone sufficeth.

Resolved furthermore, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the immediate family of the deceased, also placed upon the records of the Rodney Baptist church, and that our State denominational papers be requested to publish the same.

Respectfully submitted,
N. O. THOMPSON,
For the Committee.
REV. H. W. LANTHUP, Mod.
H. L. WINTERS, Ch. Clk.
Rodney, March 28, 1897.

Report of Sunbeams for Quarter Ending April 1, 1897.

CENTRAL ASSOCIATION.
Jackson Sunbeams, h m. \$1 00
CHICKASAW ASSOCIATION.
Fifteenth Avenue Methodist Sunbeams, orphanage, \$5 00
Home missions, 2 50
State missions, 2 50
Total, \$10 00
CHICKASAW ASSOCIATION.
Cherry Creek Sunbeams orphanage, \$5 50
Frontier missions, 68
Total, \$6 18
COLUMBUS ASSOCIATION.
Columbus Sunbeams, h m. \$1 46
Shuqualak Sunbeams, s m. 10 00
Columbus I. C. C. Mission Society, h m. 24 00
Total, \$35 46
COPIAH ASSOCIATION.
Hazlehurst Busy Bees h m. \$9 30
FAIR RIVER ASSOCIATION.
Brookhaven Sunbeams, h m. \$4 73
Foreign missions, 4 78
Home uses, 25
Total, \$9 70
GULF COAST ASSOCIATION.
Scranton Sunbeams, h m. \$19 00
Ocean Springs Sunbeam h m. 1 19
Total, \$20 19
KOSCIUSKO ASSOCIATION.
Kosciusko Sunbeams, f m. \$2 50
Home uses (Library), 5 00
Total, \$7 50
OXFORD ASSOCIATION.
Oxford Sunbeams, f m. \$5 00
TIPPAH ASSOCIATION.
Blue Mountain Sunbeams, f m board debt, 8 71
Flood sufferers, 1 00
Total, \$17 76
YAZOO ASSOCIATION.
Carrollton Sunbeams, orphanage, \$3 35
Durant Sunbeams, f m. 3 00
Duck Hill Sunbeams, f m. 2 00
Lexington Sunbeams, f m. 2 00
Home missions, 2 50
State missions, 2 50
Orphanage, 1 00
Home uses, 25
Total, \$31 40
Grand Total, \$122 87
(MISS) LULIE BAILEY,
Supt. Band Work,
Jackson, Miss.

Some Ways of Resting.

Applying the principle of rest by change, no sensible woman who is free to order her own life will sit down and sew all day without intermission save for meals; neither will she do anything all day which requires a continual sitting or standing posture. The usual answer to such objections is that "there is no time for rest." But the truth of the matter is, that there is no time so profitably spent as in resting when the body requires it. The minute a woman feels that strained, tired feeling along the spine, she should lie down until it has passed. And if she lies perfectly flat, instead of curving her back by the aid of pillows, she will double her return values in rest. She should also close her eyes placidly and calmly and keep them closed till she gets up. For if the mind is open to every suggestion which it is certain to get when the eyes are open, the brain will still continue to work; and one is only half-resting under such conditions. The same method of dropping everything—as when one is trying to go to sleep at night—should be adopted when one lies down for a few minutes' rest in the daytime. Bathing the eyes in hot or cold water before lying down—for rest or sleep—also helps to soothe and compose tired nerves. Some people find a cold compress on the back of the neck equally valuable in its soothing effect. Deep breathing, especially when it can be done in pure air, is another good receipt for obtaining rest. The very effort to take long slow, deep breaths turns the mind off from its worriment; and, purifying the blood, aids in its free circulation, and brings relief from strain to tired muscles.

CHINA.

A SUGGESTION FOR BANDS.

A missionary writing of the poverty of Chinese women and girls, thought an industry might be started among them, as will be shown from the following extract from her letter:

"There is a growing demand for knitted goods—stockings, socks, and children's caps. I want crochet hooks, knitting needles, Germantown yarn of bright colors, stocking yarn, black, blue, gray and white; but best of all would be a simple knitting machine, with yarn to work it. I feel sure that with such capital provided, they would soon become self-supporting."

"Now don't fancy I am leaving my medical work and going into the stocking business, but I must not leave these needy ones to face the battle of life unaided. He hath this world's goods, and he hath his brother's hand, and he hath the bowels of compassion from him; how dwell on the love of God in him?"

Review of Reviews.

The Grossett Music House is the place to buy your Pianos and organs for cash or on any installment plan. 222 First Street, Meridian, Miss.

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LANGUAGE DIFFICULTIES.

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"The observer is especially impressed as he watches these thousands of Chinese laborers going in and out of these mills at shifting hours. Nothing that human beings do more resembles the actions of bees in a hive. Then, again, they seem like a part of the great stream that has no beginning and no ending, flowing from one sea to another, coming as they do from a reserve of countless millions. One doubts if a strike could ever succeed, with hungry thousands to draw from for every one that goes out."

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the hands of the Japanese revolutionists. The "Red Cross," and were visited by Japanese representatives of Christianity and of the Bible Societies. In many cases Japanese and Chinese Christians held services together. The opponents of Christianity in China are not resting, but this does not hinder the work. In 1895 the Inland Mission alone baptized 400 converts. It is now computed that there are about 100,000 Christians in China, and that perhaps the same number are in a attitude of friendliness toward the gospel propaganda. These are scattered over all the provinces. The work of spreading the Bible has been particularly successful in recent years. The Book of books has even found its way into the imperial palace, and has been read by the Emperor himself. The aristocratic, literary classes are incensed against Christianity because they see its steady advance and progress. But even among the officials there are many well-wishers of Christianity, who in troublous times have protected and aided the Christians. The status of Christianity is exceedingly promising. Translation made for the Literary Digest.

"I Never Heard His Name."

I was alone in the Woman's Memorial Mission House one morning, writes Blanche G. Vining, in North Africa, when a rather fine-looking young Moor came up to the door, leading a gaunt mule, upon which was the huddled-up form of an old woman.

On going down to find out what was wanted, the man told me he had brought his mother to us for treatment. They had come a two days' journey and the woman had been ill a long time. I helped her son to get her down from the mule and get her into the house; she was evidently suffering greatly, and was greatly emaciated and worn-looking, but she seemed to be a nice, sensible woman of perhaps nearly fifty years.

It did not take Miss Breeze long to find out that the poor woman was far gone with cancer, and quite incurable, and she said that in all probability she would not live more than two months. While Miss Breeze went to make up some medicine, which she hoped might alleviate the intense pain and give at least intervals of comparative rest, I sat on the floor beside the poor woman, and, holding her hand in mine, told her as gently as I could what the doctor had said. I then proceeded to put the gospel plainly and simply before her with the wordless book. I never had a more attentive listener while I spoke of sin and God's judgment of it, and our need of a Savior and substitute. But at the words "Sida Alsa" she fixed questioning eyes on me and repeated "Alsa?" "Yes," I said, "Alsa, Jesus, who came from God and died to save us; you and me. Did you never hear of him?"

A blank look, a shake of the head, and she replied, "Alsa, no! I never heard his name." I could hardly command my voice to speak again for a few minutes. I felt overwhelmed with the thought—she had never heard of Jesus, the only Savior. I should never see her again, and she was dying—perhaps only a few weeks to live. My heart cried, "O God! teach me, teach her!" and I tried in a few

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2. Delegates to the above named bodies will be entertained only when certified as above stated. Delegates to the Young People's Union will be entertained only when they are delegates also to the Convention. Alternates will be entertained only when the committee has been duly notified that the delegates will not come, and that the alternates will come.
3. Entertainment will be provided at hotels for the President of the Convention, the Recording Secretaries, and the Treasurer of the Convention, for the Corresponding Secretaries of the Foreign Mission, Home Mission, and Sunday School Boards, and for no others.
4. The committee will gladly serve any who desire to pay their own expenses, whether delegates or visitors, by making necessary arrangements with hotels or boarding houses, but will pay no bills. Rates at the hotels for delegates are \$2 per day; for visitors, \$2.50 per day; at the boarding houses the rates range from \$1 to \$2 per day.
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ior, both at church and in the home. To know her was to love her as a Christian. There seems to be a special attachment between her and the dear ones she leaves behind. Six children, two daughters and four sons, whom she loved dearly and served faithfully. God bless the bereaved family, and may it compose an unbroken circle in Heaven.

"The pains of death are past,
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And life's warfare o'er at last,
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Sister of Christ, well done,
And with eternal ages run,
Rest in thy Savior's joy."

Sister Absilla Mixon, known throughout her neighborhood as "Aunt Appie," was born Oct. 29th, 1819, and died at the home of her daughter, Sister Graham near Providence church, Perry county, Miss., Feb'y 1st, 1897.

Sister Mixon was married to John Mixon Jan. 10th, 1840, and with her husband was converted and baptized into the fellowship of Providence church, aforesaid, by Rev. Alex. McKinzie, July 1845, where they both remained and proved faithful to Christ until death. Her husband preceded her to the better land by nearly forty-five years. She was buried by the side of her husband in the family grave yard near Providence church.

She was the mother of three daughters, all living. She left sixty-four grand and great-grandchildren.

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O. D. BOWEN.

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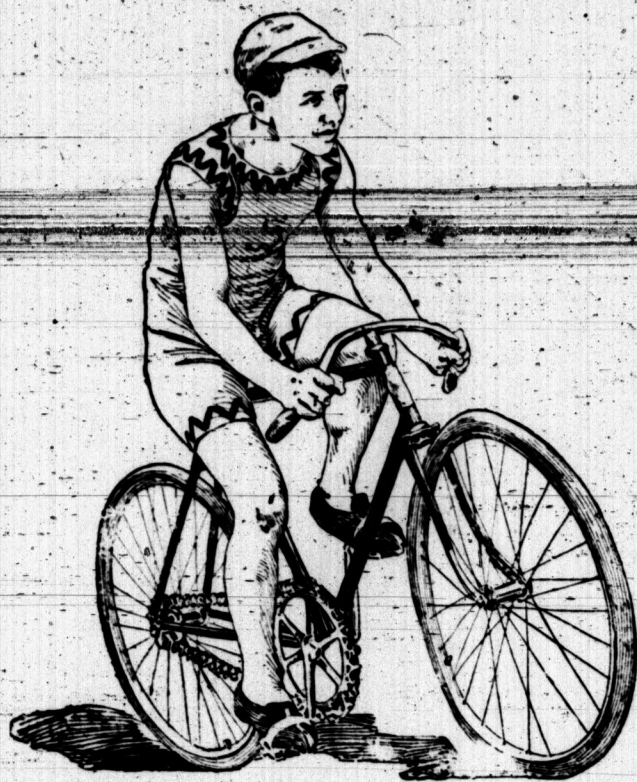
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James Michael is the champion long distance bicyclist of the world. He recommends all wheelmen to take Paine's celery compound.

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Attention Brethren of Harmony Association.

The next meeting of our Executive Board will be held with Hebron church on the western bounds of our Association, and will convene on Friday before fifth Sunday in May next.

It will be a pleasant time of the year, and this church is in a fine country, and now let all the members of the Board and as many visitors as please attend.

Let the churches have all other mission collections off their hands by that time and begin a lively rally for State Missions, that we may not fall behind, but surpass our apportionment. Remind your churches of these matters, Bro. Pastors, and be on hand at the Board meeting.

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Boston, Mass., Feb. 21, 1897. After the exertion of my record rides with the Morgan & Wright team in the South last winter, during which I lost somewhat in weight, on account of the unaccustomed climate, I was advised to use Paine's celery compound. I am pleased to say that it gave me satisfaction that I was impelled to use it again to brace up from the effects of the two unusually long trips that I have taken during the past month. I believe that wheelmen who have to undergo the hardships of "circuit chasing" will find Paine's celery compound of assistance in keeping up their physical tone.

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